



# State of Tennessee

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 399

By Representative Curtiss

and

Senators Ketron, Burks

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Buford Delwin Lee of Marshall County.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective well-being, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, these individuals daily face the rigors of corporal imperilment in protecting those whom they so selflessly serve; and

WHEREAS, Buford Delwin Lee, a member of the Emergency Management Agency (EMA) of Marshall County, was one such outstanding public servant, and the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of his death; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lee rendered sterling service to his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam era; and

WHEREAS, always in search of ways to be of service, Mr. Lee's distinguished career with the Marshall County EMA included routine delivery of water resources to residents during drought or when springs and wells were depleted; and

WHEREAS, calm and courageous even under the most trying conditions, Mr. Lee served as a charter member of the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department for nearly twenty years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being known around Marshall County for his service to the local fire department, Buford Delwin Lee served with acumen and alacrity for many years as a dedicated professional at the International Comfort Products plant and with Tennessee Nichirin, Incorporated, from which he retired; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lee was a devout member and elder of the Ash Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Buford Delwin Lee leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Buford Delwin Lee, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Lee.

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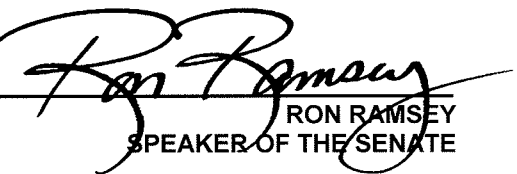
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MAY 16, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011

  
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR